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### THE TAXATION QUESTION

The Banner reproduces in another column an editorial from the Northfield News on the much discussed tax problem. The News is a firm believer in the present tax laws but wants them enforced more rigidly, and the Banner agrees with the News in so far as it would certainly like to see the present laws once enforced just to show what changes are imperative.

The writer, as a member of the legislature, voted for the Bacon bill, not because he thought it would settle the tax problem but in the hope that it would prove an advance step in securing equitable taxation laws some time in the future. The writer also voted for the original committee bills, and for the same reason, though personally strongly opposed to some of the things contained in the committee program. These two votes on questions of public record fairly represent the attitude of the Banner today which is one of uncertainty as to the exact method to pursue, but willing to try either or any plan proposed by honest, capable men, believing that no harm could come to the great body of taxpayers and that out of the experiment education would come that would result in actual progress.

The Banner cannot agree with the News though if it believes that the radical enforcement of the present laws would result in an equitable settlement of the tax question. There are some things in the present system which if enforced literally would bring the blush of shame to the state.

For instance we know of one fine old gentleman, now too advanced in years to support himself and his family which consists of an aged wife and a crippled daughter. Their home is in a town where the tax rate is around three dollars. The old gentleman has about three thousand dollars in money which he loans out to neighbors at five per cent and which he does not put into his tax list. The \$150 interest which he gets a year supports the family in very modest fashion.

What would be the result of enforcing the tax laws in his case? Of the \$150 interest that he gets \$90 would go to the town in taxes leaving only \$60 for the family. Enforce the tax law and that town would gain \$90 in taxes, but with it would get three town paupers. His former neighbors who borrow his money would have to borrow elsewhere and probably pay six per cent. Would the town or the state gain anything by enforcing the law? This is only one of thousands of cases that exist. Enforce our present tax laws to the letter and you either drive Vermont money out of the state or educate Vermont citizens to perjury in self protection.

We have yet to be shown why it would not be right and a correct business principle to either exempt from taxation or assess at a low fixed rate all Vermont money loaned at, say four and one half per cent, on Vermont real estate or for the development of Vermont business. We believe that this change alone would bring home millions of dollars of Vermont money now sent out of the state for investment, and that would mean relief for all who borrow money and that includes about everybody doing business or trying to pay for a farm or a modest home. Will the News, in its wisdom, show us wherein we are wrong in this theory?

\*Col. Bennett H. Young of Kentucky has withdrawn his acceptance of the invitation to be St. Albans' guest during the Champlain tercentenary. This is the very best and easiest way to avoid a situation that could not fail to be unpleasant to both the 'raider' and the town he looted. The incident is closed.—Rutland News.

You are mistaken, esteemed contemporary. The incident is not closed. We are now reaping the inevitable humiliation of public reproach that was sown by newspapers like yours and men like ex-Governor Ormsbee in violently attacking the character of this man and viciously assailing the governor of the state and the mayor and other responsible citizens that invited him to St. Albans before you knew all the facts or quietly considered them.—St. Albans Messenger.

The Messenger is right in this statement as it usually is in discussing public questions. Through this little episode Vermont has gained a reputation for narrowness and bigotry that will follow the state for a generation. That the bitterness of a conflict that ended nearly half a century ago is still allowed to rankle

in the bosoms of the victors we would not have believed had it not been demonstrated by Ex-Governor Ormsbee and Roberts post of Rutland. But we do not believe that Ex-Governor Ormsbee and Roberts post represent the great bulk of the veterans or the people of the state. Vermont soldiers were the bravest of the brave during the war, and brave, patriotic soldiers are proverbially generous and forgiving to a defeated foe.

The sketch of the late Ex-Gov. Frederick Holbrook which appears in this issue of the Banner, is taken from an unusually excellent biography published in the Brattleboro Phoenix.

### Relating to a Much Discussed Subject

In its issue of some days since the Bennington Banner discusses taxation reform in reply to the News' comments. The article has been held for an opportunity to publish it in full but other matter has crowded it out of the necessarily limited space at the command of the News. It can only take up at this time its closing paragraph. After disclaiming in substance any intention of intolerance of the opinions of others on the subject it says:

"The individual opinion of the Banner is something like this: It is probable that there is as much and perhaps more property that escapes taxation as there is taxed and a great share of this untaxed half is much more profitable to its owners than is the half that now bears all the burden. We should like to see this untaxed half brought into the list. This would tremendously reduce the rate of taxation, cutting it down one half, and the state could then in good heart enter upon an effort at equalization and exact justice and at the same time knowing that mistakes and individual wrongs in taxation will always exist until the Golden Rule finally and forever supplants the constitution and statutes."

The News is glad to agree with the above sentiment. Now then, how could a better start have been made in getting at the tax dodgers than through the bill introduced in the last legislature by the late John L. Bacon? Getting the taxable property as far as possible into the grand list would certainly have been a long step towards finding out what was needed in the way of more general equalization.

But some of the men in the legislature whom we look to as experienced, broad-minded citizens would have nothing of the kind; they had their own plan and if those could not be carried out they were again any changes in the present law. It is well enough for the Banner to remember that a man may be successful, even eminent in his own profession, be it engineering, law, education, insurance or other callings and yet lack the experience and qualifications necessary to work out just and practical taxation laws.

It is also possible that men with acknowledged high ability in their professions and regarded as broad-minded are in fact just as selfish on some points at least as many other less pretentious individuals. It is well to keep all these things in mind when discussing a subject of such wide concern as the taxation question.

In another column is published a personal letter, which the News obtained permission to print from Representative Lewis M. Seaver of Williamstown. Although not a man given to dress parade on the floor of the House, he was a conscientious worker, experienced in business affairs and sound in judgment—and a keen observer. His letter can hardly fail to be of interest, more especially because it is the observations of a member of high standing in the general assembly.—Northfield News.

The letter referred to in the foregoing is from L. M. Seaver, the member of the legislature from Williamstown and is as follows:

Mr. Editor: Permit me to compliment you on your article "As to Tax Reform" in the last week's paper. It seems to me that you have "hit the nail fairly and squarely on the head." When such able men as the Hon. Allen M. Fletcher, Frank L. Fish, John L. Bacon, and others are denominated "Backwoodsmen" the writer in being called to associate, confer and vote with them in quite content to be designated the same, notwithstanding he has spent a large portion of his life in the largest cities of the United States, and has perhaps seen as much of this and foreign countries as either of the editors you replied to.

It was my honored duty to serve as a member of the "enlarged tax committee" as well as of the last taxation conference committee. Of the latter, I wish to say no committee ever worked harder, more earnestly or conscientiously than that one, and I think every one of the ten members yielded something from his own convictions and preference in order that there might be an agreement upon an amended bill that might be enacted as a possible improvement to the old law, and at least an experimental change for the coming two years, if no longer. What was the result of this painstaking conference committee's work? The amended bill we brought before the House was given very scant consideration or thought, and immediately killed.

I suppose I could hardly be considered an outsider, and as an insider it looked to me as though had the able members, who should have been leaders, yielded a little and been a little more conciliatory the different factions might have been brought to a compromise instead of driven to a breach, where a large portion of the Assembly stood upon its individual ideas, if not prejudices, and was absolutely impervious to argument or change of opinion.

The result of all this was of course deplorable. The session had been prolonged three or four weeks, principally on tax consideration, and then adjournment had to be taken without any change having been wrought

that could be tried at last as a possible improvement. And there we are.

Very truly yours,  
Lewis M. Seaver.  
Williamstown, Vt., April 17, 1909.

### Not Creditable to Vermont

The expected has occurred in the case of Gen. Bennett H. Young, who has withdrawn his acceptance of the invitation to be present at the St. Albans tercentenary celebration, on account of the criticism of the arrangement by Roberts post, G. A. R., of this city, and of various prominent Grand Army men in the state. The Herald cannot help feeling that the result will not reflect credit on Vermont, and that the state will be criticized therefore. As witness thereto, note the article, "Unforgiving Vermont," elsewhere on this page. Was it worth the result secured to have the state's hospitality and practical Christianity impugned? And were the critics in possession of the exact facts when they published their protest? History does not bear them out.—Rutland Herald.

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### TO WELCOME THE WRIGHTS

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New York, May 6.—Elaborate plans are being made by the officers of the Aero club of America to welcome the Wright brothers when they arrive next Wednesday. Plans will be perfected this week for the entertainment. It will probably take the form of an informal reception at which the successful aviators will be asked to relate some of their experiences in foreign lands.

The affair may be held in the big assembly hall of the Automobile club of America.

Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
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## VERNON LICENSE GRANTED

Saloon at South Vernon in Spite of Strenuous Opposition

Brattleboro, May 4.—After several hearings and a general discussion between the people of Vernon and Northfield Mass., the license commissioners of Vernon have decided to grant a liquor license to George E. Alderman, proprietor of the South Vernon house at South Vernon. The last hearing was held at Whitehead's Hotel in Vernon.

Clarence J. Ferguson, head of the Vermont Anti-Saloon League presented his objections and the citizens of Northfield objected on the ground that a saloon at South Vernon would tend to contaminate the pupils of Mt. Hermon. The license commissioners came to the conclusion that they could not do otherwise than grant the license. E. W. Gibson appeared for the license commissioners, R. C. Bacon for Alderman, Kittredge Haskins for Jason Allen and others and Wm. R. Daley for A. G. Moody and others of Northfield.

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